



Trinity News

February 2015

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POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Feb 2 – Treehouse Meeting
- Feb 2 – Cub Scouts
- Feb 4 – Church Council
- Wed – Wowsome Wed.
- Wed – Confirmation
- Wed – Choir
- Feb 10 – TLW Workgroup
- Feb 12 – Deacons Meeting
- Feb 18 – Ash Wed Service
- Feb 19 – Men's Bible Study
- Feb 19 – TLW Work Day
- Feb 24 – Womens Bible Study
- Feb 26 – Womens Bible Study
- Feb 28 – C.M.A. Luncheon



from the desk of...

Pastor Lisa

Dear Members and Friends of Trinity Lutheran Church,

As we move closer to Ash Wednesday and the Lenten season, I invite you to recall (if you went through it) your confirmation class experiences. To be honest with you, I truly cannot recall most of my time in confirmation. But one thing I do remember is going through Luther's Small Catechism. Now, we didn't have to memorize it like I'm sure many of you did, but I remember going through it with my classmates and pastor and taking it all in step by step. I'm almost certain we learned its various pieces and tried to connect it to our everyday lives, but the details are lost on me now.

In hindsight, a good 14 (?) years later, I wish I could have absorbed it more than I think I did at the time. So when the worship committee talked about touching on Luther's Small Catechism during our midweek Lenten worship services, I got pretty excited. (A special nod to

Rosemary who found the liturgy at basically the same time I did!!) What excited me was the prospect of journeying through Lent with all of you, proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ, the cross and, in time, Easter through the small catechism. The truth is, we never stop learning and growing as Lutheran Christians and Lent is a great time for us all to look, once again, at our Lutheran roots and the themes of baptism, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and communion.

Now, lest you think I'll just be lecturing during worship, think again. These parts of the small catechism do impact how we think about our world, and influence how we think about God, the Bible, and even the season of Lent. Let's explore all of that together during our Lenten season, as we also reflect on our need for God's forgiveness and grace found in Jesus Christ. We



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PRAYER LISTS

Ruth Boeke - Rosemary Mohr's mother
Josh Borah - Myrna Freese's great nephew
Virginia Broussard - TLC member
Penny Buum - Roger & Marlys Buum's daughter-in-law
Allan Curry - TLC member
Gail Larsen Danhour - Larry Larsen's sister
Marlene Dawson - Friend of Weviks
Kim Dougherty - Charlotte Cadwell's daughter
Corey Estes - Nephew to Maryalice Larson
Shirley Feltman - Dick Feltman's mother
Robert Gudenkauf - Friend of Campbell's
Kayleen Haiar - Charlotte & Loren Geerdes' granddaughter
James Harmon - Father of Pam Shroyer
Tom Heffernan - Pastor Lisa's brother
Connie Hickey - Friend of Neoma Harris
Betty Hines - Terry Hines' sister
Terry Hines - TLC member
Gwen Hoffer - Friend of Marlys Buum
Pam Houghteling - Judy & Kermit Swanson's niece
Marcella Jensen - TLC member
Ron Kjonegaard - TLC member
John Koenig - Member of the community
Gabby Lynch - Friend of Maryalice Larson
Jackie Myers - Member of the community
Susan Normile - TLC member
Gunner Olesen - Member of the community
Glenn Osborne - Deb Selland's brother
Sherry Owens - 2nd cousin to Rosemary Mohr
Laura Quinn - Relative of Maryalice Larson
Kendyl Rogers - Friend of Pastor Lisa
Ray Urban - Friend of Lori Tonak
Kathy Valnes - Member of the community
Mindy Wahlquist - Requested by Maryalice Larson

To Be Remembered:

Connie Bailey
John Blumeyer
Don Borman
Jim Butler
Ray Goeden
Gene Graves
Fern & Wally Jones
Winnie Keller
Amy Kenobbie
Deah Killion
Rianna Laurens
Larry Larsen
Buckle James Mattson
Mariah Normile
Alexandra Osborne
Antoinette Osborne
Benjamin Osborne
Krista Osborne
Clifford Priebe
Mike Renbarger
Ed Selland
Jill Schreiber
Kim Tyrell
Cindy Wilkens

Those in service to our country:

We pray for Nick Glant and all the men and women in military units who have been called to active duty, and their families.

Missions of the Church:

We pray for Prison Congregations of America, St. Dymas Congregation at Springfield, SD as they continue to do Your work behind prison walls.

We also pray for the Young Adult Intentional Community of Rosebud, a mission of the South Dakota Synod.

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Trinity Service and Religious Education Schedule

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. with communion on first and third Sundays, choir sings on second and fourth Sundays.

Saturday Worship: 5:30 p.m. with communion.

Wowsome Wednesday & Confirmation Class:
 Wednesday, 5:30 meal; 6:00 class, mid-September thru late April.

Trinity Lutheran Scholarship Fund Brunch held after each second Sunday service.

Church Council meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Church.

Deacons meet the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Church.

CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

Feb. 1: Emalee Larson

Feb. 1: Mianna Tveit

Feb. 4: Sean McManus

Feb. 5: Geoffrey Peterson

Feb. 10: Judy Davenport

Feb. 11: Jean Carson

Feb. 13: Gailen Meyerink

Feb. 13: Sarah Nelson

Feb. 14: Deb Schaub

Feb. 14: Carol Kringen

Feb. 16: Jacob Peterson

Feb. 17: Virginia Anderson

Feb. 17: Dotty Hieb

Feb. 20: Rolf Hope

Feb. 23: Margo Mews

Feb. 24: Rich Rasmussen

Feb. 24: Charles Hagan

ANNIVERSARIES

Feb. 10: Denise & Gailen Meyerink



CHURCH CLEANING

If you wish to hire Dakota Milestones to clean the church during your assigned week, the cost is \$10 per family. Put your contribution in the Sunday offering. Please write your name and "Church Cleaning" on the envelope. Note "Church Cleaning" on your check's memo line.

Contact Pat Blum at 234-6175 or 730-6175.

February 1: S Rossow

February 8: Campbell / Turgeon

February 15: Huber/ Taber/ Curry

February 22: Kopke / Wevik

FEBRUARY SERVICE MINISTERS

Date	Host	Lector	Cantor
February 1	Confirmation Students	Confirmation Students	Confirmation Students
February 8	Lori Tonak	Lori Tonak	Lori Tonak
February 15	Karen & Mick Niles	Karen & Mick Niles	Karen & Mick Niles
February 22	Cynthia & Joe Wall	Cynthia & Joe Wall	Choir

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2015

PRESENT - Pat Blum, Bob Brown, Mary Brown, Judy Campbell, Mark Huber, Dave Larson, Rosemary Mohr, Karen Niles, and Pastor Lisa.

ABSENT - Russ Denke, Connor Graves, Justin Graves, Gary Kringen and Cynthia Wall.

DEVOTIONS - The meeting was called to order by President Mark, Pastor Lisa led devotions.

MINUTES - December minutes were read. Rosemary moved, Pat seconded approval. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORTS

* Treasurer's report was unavailable due to computer problems.

* Mary Normile reported the balance of fundraising accounts.

*Pat moved, Dave seconded approval of fundraising report, increasing secretary hours to 28 per month, and having secretary fill out bills to be signed by treasurer. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

*There was no correspondence to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EDUCATION:

*Pastor Lisa will postpone the book study to a later date.

*Wowsome Wednesday has changed to a new curriculum for the remainder of the year.

PROPERTY:

*The chancel remodel will be finished shortly.

*The parking lot issue discussion was tabled until the February meeting.

WORSHIP:

*Will meet in January to discuss Lent and Easter services.

STEWARDSHIP:

*Met to discuss proposed 2015 budget.

DEACONS:

*Distributed Christmas cards to members.

*Gave popcorn balls as Christmas program treats.

*Updated prayer list.

*Discussed options for changes on utilization of membership list.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

*Christmas Eve services went well.

*Judy moved, Dave seconded for Pastor to attend First Call Theological Education, February 9-11, at Joy Ranch for \$140.00; and Rural Ministry Conference, March 1-3, in Dubuque, Iowa for \$110.00. Motion carried.

*Dave moved, Bob seconded transfer request for Karen Moore and Sarah Nelson to Trinity in Winner. They will be missed as Trinity members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

*Editing agenda for annual meeting, January 25, 2015.

*Finalizing council member's terms.

*Calls to members for nominations.

NEW BUSINESS:

*February noisy offering will be given to Habitat for Humanity.

*Rosemary moved, Karen seconded to accept the 2015 budget. Motion carried.

*Bob moved, Dave seconded to accept option four of Fischer Rounds insurance proposal. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING:

*February 4, 2015 *Devotions, Karen *Offering tellers, Cynthia and Rosemary

ADJOURN:

*The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Judy Campbell, Substituting Secretary



Valentine's Spaghetti Supper

Sunday, February 15th

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church

Fellowship Hall

Tickets: \$10 each

All proceeds to support Trinity Campers

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Pastor Lisa

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don't just learn the small catechism in order to memorize it. We learn it to live it, in a way, and my hope is that these themes, our scripture texts, and all of our times of worshiping together in this season of Lent will help us to think more deeply about how we do indeed live it.

Note: February 18th is Ash Wednesday this year, and all of our midweek worship services will be held every Wednesday at 7:10 p.m.

In Christ,

Pastor Lisa



Growing in
Faith Together

THE GIFTS OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD

WHAT IT'S ABOUT

This is about renewing your congregation --getting it growing again -- *with the gifts that God has given you.*

ASSET BASED

We celebrate and help you grow with what you have, rather than lamenting and obsessing about what you don't have.

BASED IN OUR TRADITION

We help you find energy, purpose and direction using God's word; prayer; the conversation of the saints and faith practices.

IT'S ABOUT LEADERSHIP

We help you navigate change calmly, confidently, and effectively.

HOW IT WORKS

The Pastor or rostered leader and 5-6 lay leaders (Your G.i.F.T. Team) attend a four day training conference with an assigned coach. They leave the conference as a well formed and well informed team with a six-month plan.

The team returns to the congregation and begins implementing the plan.

The coach checks in with the G.i.F.T. Team each month.

After 6 months the team returns for a one-day training event for adjusting and refocusing the plan.

WHAT IT COSTS

Travel food and lodging for the training (all other training costs are covered by the South Dakota Synod); \$100 per month plus travel expenses for coach (telephone or video conferencing can reduce costs).

HOW TO GET STARTED

Call Pastor
Bill Tesch at
605-351-8098
or email him at
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GiFT

Trinity has been invited, along with many other congregations, to participate in the GiFT program (Growing in Faith Together). The flyer can tell all of you the basics of what it is about, but here is my take on it. Maybe this will help/encourage us to participate. The GiFT program works with congregations who have had great change or conflict, or those that the synod thinks has great potential to expand great ministries even further. We were invited because of the pastoral transition in the last year, and because we are located in an area that is culturally diverse in its own ways. The GiFT program itself helps congregations look at what they are already doing that is good in their ministries, and expand on them. It also seeks to help congregations who have dealt with change to find and name their purpose as a congregation in their communities, conferences, and synod. Basically, “Who is Trinity in Chamberlain, and what are its members all about?”

The overall idea is to look at what your congregation is as a whole, and set goals for the congregation. These could be things like setting goals for the youth programs and how we might draw in younger folks into our worship and life together. The goals really are contextual. But the “GiFT team” as I have heard it called works really hard with a coach (someone from outside our congregation and community) to set those goals and see them through. All of this begins with a four day training session with other congregations and coaches to start talking about how we might set goals for the congregation, based on our assets as well as beginning to look at our congregation and do some discernment about what our “purpose” is in our lives as a congregation and as members of Chamberlain-Oacoma and the surrounding areas.

The GiFT program asks for 4-5 people plus the pastor to make up this committed team of people to go to the training, and then to meet each month with our coach as we move forward in our plan and goal setting. At present there is a training session in February (19-22) at the Abbey in the Hills- formerly Blue Cloud Abbey. This is coming quickly, so it might be best for us to look to the training session in April, if we choose to participate in the GiFT program.

So...my questions to all of you are: Can we take part? Do we want to? And, if we do, who'd like to be on the “GiFT team”? This is an important thing to think about and discern, but I encourage us to seriously think about it. It takes the whole body of Christ to set goals for a congregation and expand on the great things we already do. Working with GiFT might just give a shot to do that in a cohesive and structured way.

In Christ,
Pastor Lisa

**TRINITY LUTHERAN DEACON'S MINUTES
are not available at time of publishing.**

Check back – They will be published soon.

February 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Communion	2 5:30 p.m. Treehouse Mtg Cub Scouts	3	4 5:30 WW meal 6:00 WW Wed & Confirmation 7:00 Choir 7:30 Council	5 12:00 Chamberlain Area Ministerial Meeting	6	7 5:30 p.m. Worship w/ Communion
8 9:30 a.m. Worship Scholarship brunch 2:00 p.m. Sanford Worship Service	9 Pastor Lisa gone thru Wed: First call retreat	10 6:15 p.m. TLW meeting	11 7:00 Choir NO WW: PT conferences	12 7:00 p.m. Deacons	13	14 5:30 p.m. Worship w/ Communion
15 9:30 a.m. Worship w/ Communion 5:30 p.m. Valentine Spaghetti supper	16 Cub Scouts	17	18 5:30 WW meal 6:00 WW Wed 7:10 Ash Wed Worship Service 7:45 Choir	19 7:30 Men's Bible study @ Vonnie's 12:00 TLW work day	20	21 5:30 p.m. Worship w/ Communion 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts
22 9:30 a.m. Worship	23	24 7:30 a.m. Women's Bible study @ Vonnies	25 5:30 WW meal 6:00 WW Wed 7:10 Lenten Worship Service 7:45 Choir	26 6:30 Women's Bible study @ Church	27	28 12:00 Christian Motorcycle Assoc Luncheon 5:30 p.m. Worship